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TO: Michael E. Marshall

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FROM: Nancy J. Richardson, Director

RE: FY07 Recycled Content Plastic Bag and Soy Inks Report

As required in Iowa Code section 307.21, I am pleased to report the following summary of purchasing activity for soy based inks and recycled content trash bags. The figures are for Fiscal Year 2007.

SOY BASED INKS

The department purchased \$345.10 worth of soy based inks prior to the sale of the equipment which uses this type of ink. This figure represents 7.1% of the \$4,845.10 worth of ink we purchased. The department currently has no equipment which will operate with soy ink. The only equipment requiring ink is a specialized color plotter for which soy ink is not available.

RECYCLED GARBAGE CAN LINERS

Iowa Code section 8A.315 requires that a minimum of 50 percent of garbage can liner purchases shall be recycled content plastic garbage can liners. The department purchased \$95,793.45 worth of recycled content plastic garbage can liners. This represents 97 percent of garbage can liners purchases.

This report will be submitted to the document repository. If you have any questions, please let me know.

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